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REFERENCE TO: Mission 1045, AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION

AL FAYYUM, EGYPT

SIGNIFICANCE:

NEWLY IDENTIFIED AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION IN EGYPT.

LOCATION:

14.5 NM NNE OF AL FAYYUM AND APPROXIMATELY 40 NM SSW OF AL QAHIRAH (CAIRO) AT 2932N 03053E.

REMARKS:

SINCE THE JUNE WAR WITH ISRAEL, EGYPT HAS EMBARKED UPON A MAJOR AIRFIELD CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM. ADDITION TO FAIYUM, KH PHOTOGRAPHY SINCE JUNE 67 HAS REVEALED AIRFIELDS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT ABU AL MATAMIR (72 NM NW OF AL QAHIRAH), BIRMA (50 NM NNW OF AL QAHIRAH), AZ ZAGAZIG (40 NM NNE OF AL QAHIRAH, AND WADI AL JANDALI (31 NM EAST OF AL QAHIRAH). IN ADDITION TO THE NEW AIRFIELDS, CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY (RUNWAY IMPROVEMENT, HANGARETTES, ETC.) HAS BEEN OBSERVED AT 12 OTHER EGYPTIAN AIRFIELDS.

COLLATERAL:

FAIYUM HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED EITHER ON OR NEAR THE SITE OF AN OLD RAF AIRFIELD. DURING WW II THE RAF

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		USED FAIYUM AIRFIELD FOR COMMUNICATION PURPOSES.	
		THE FIELD WAS ABANDONED IN 1943.	
5.	FIRST IDENTIFICATION:	THIS MISSION. REANALYSIS OF	25X1
		REVEALED THE FIELD TO BE IN THE EARLY STAGES OF	
		CONSTRUCTION.	
6.	NEGATION DATE:		25X1
7.	SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:	2 KH MISSIONS.	
8.	DIMENSIONS/ SPECIFICATIONS:	9,305 x 110 FT NW/SE RUNWAY.	
9.	MISSION READOUT: THIS	MISSION REVEALS A 9,305 x 110 FT NW/SE BLACKTOP AND	
	CONCRETE SERVICEABLE RUNWAY. A PARKING APRON IS LOCATED AT EACH END OF THE		
	RUNWAY. EACH PARKING A	APRON IS CONNECTED TO THE RUNWAY BY AN END-CONNECTING	
	AND 2 HIGH SPEED CROSSO	VER LINKS. AT THE SE END OF THE RUNWAY THERE ARE	
	10 DISPERSED HANGARETTE	is U/C.	
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